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11. (U) In response to Ref A logistical information, Zhanbulat Ussenov of the MFA's North America/Europe division reported on July 19 that Kazakhstani ambassador to Hungary Rashid Ibrayev would attend the July 20-21 PRT Effectiveness Conference in Budapest. Ussenov promised to forward the logistical information to the Kazakhstani Embassy in Budapest and ensure that Ambassador Ibrayev had registered with the conference organizers.

12. (SBU) Post understands that the GOK is still examining the question of whether to participate in a PRT. They are considering whether a civilian or military contribution would be more appropriate, and have informally expressed a preference for an area with cultural and/or linguistic similarities to Kazakhstan.

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